

EM300 PRACTICE PROBLEMS (CH1 AND CH2)

1. What are the specific volume [ft^3/lb_m] and the specific weight [lb_f/ft^3] of seawater?
Bonus: what is the specific gravity of seawater?

HINT: $\nu = \frac{1}{\rho}$

$$\gamma = \rho \left(\frac{g}{g_c} \right)$$

$$\text{S.G.} = \frac{\rho_{\text{SW}}}{\rho_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}}$$

ANS: $\nu = 0.0156 \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{lb}_m}$

$$\gamma = 64 \frac{\text{lb}_f}{\text{ft}^3}$$

$$\text{S.G.} = 1.026$$

2. If the barometric pressure is 14.7 psia, what is the total pressure on a submarine hull at a depth of 400 ft in seawater?

HINT: $p_{\text{TOT}} = p_{\text{ATM}} + p_{\text{DEPTH}}$

ANS: $p_{\text{TOT}} = 192.5 \text{ PSIA}$

3. A pressure gage reads 10.183 in Hg vacuum and the barometer reads 407.2 in H_2O . What is the absolute pressure in [psia]?

HINT: $p_{\text{ABS}} = p_{\text{ATM}} + p_{\text{GAGE}}$

ANS: $p_{\text{ABS}} = 9.7 \text{ PSIA}$

4. When 5 Btu of heat is added to a system, 3 Btu of heat is rejected. What is the net work [ft lb_f] of the system? Hint: Use the First Law of Thermodynamics.

HINT: $\sum Q = \sum W$
- USE HOWIN CONVENTION

ANS: $W_{\text{NET}} = 1556 \text{ FT LB}_f$